

To:

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Gentlemen,

I note your comments in Parliament yesterday making serious allegations that there has been a New Zealand First electoral/loan scam.

These allegations are no doubt based on the RNZ Guyon Espiner publications, these publications are not only false but malicious.

There was one loan from the Foundation of \$73,000 on commercial terms to the New Zealand First party to cover a shortfall after the election 2017. This loan was repaid in full over two years. All loan activities are both audited and were disclosed to the Electoral Commission. They are lawful.

The settlement statement is attached, it demonstrates that there was one loan of \$73,000 paid off over two years, under the Electoral Act and Audit requirements at the end of the 12 month term it was redocumented at the balance owing and disclosed as per the Electoral Act requirements.

I invite you to repeat what you said in the house in public or apologise.

Please note if you oblige with this request I will sue you for defamation for general damages together with special damages which from the consequences of your and Mr Espiner's actions could be as high as \$30,000,000.00

Kind regards

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